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✓ Anyone taking a look in the yard of the "Bulgarski Zhelezni Zavodi" (Bulgarian Iron Works) Plant would see enormous heaps of rusted iron all over the place. The ordinary observer immediately asks himself to what extent and how this scrap iron is used. Almost 85 percent of the scrap iron that until recently used to be thrown away is now melted and turned into valuable material.

omit In entering the rolling press shop one is impressed by the increased tempo of the work. A high morale and youthful enthusiasm is noticed among the workers of the "Stanke Dimitrov" Brigade, whose leader is Comrade Yordan Genchev, and the "Borislav Kirov" Brigade, whose leader is Stoyan Radenkov. They are engaged in a noble competition among themselves and in honor of the thirty-fourth anniversary of the great October Revolution they have pledged themselves to fulfill their yearly plans before the deadline.

omit Administrators and workers are proud of their work. The percentage of defective production has been reduced to 0.8 percent. The quality of sheet iron has been improved. The cutting and rolling of oval iron bars is done more correctly. The man who turns out the best quality products is the communist Stoil Pavlov, who for a whole month has not made a single poor casting and has pledged that he will never make one.

✓ Improvements have been made in the mechanization of the production process. The new flywheel, to be put into operation by the end of the year, will increase production by at least 20 percent and will thus save 20 million leva in foreign currency needed for a new motor. Within a few days a new machine manufactured at the plant will be put into operation, which will feed

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20 iron pigs into the furnace, while the one in use feeds only 2 pigs and often makes the workers at the rollers wait for the heated pigs. Repairs made in August permitted the attachment of additional weights to the old flywheel. This increased the capacity of the machine and helped increase considerably the volume of production. Following the repairs there were periodic increases in production which has already attained 30 to 35 per cent over the plan. On 15 October of this year a record achievement was reached, in that 10,620 kilograms of iron above the daily quota were produced.

omit Having successfully overcome all difficulties the personnel of the plant greet and honor the great day of the Anniversary of the October Revolution.

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